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Dear Sir/Madam

In order for solar energy to be truly green, it needs to be additional, new energy sourced by carbon neutral means and placed on existing surfaces. These proposals will never deliver net zero and the lives, livelihoods and landscapes caught up in all this will never recover.

The sacrifice is just too big for what gains will be made, unlike post war NIP's, where for example, valleys were flooded and cooling towers went up with little regard for the locals affected, the gains were tangible and irrefutable. As a nation, we needed water and we needed electricity, but do we really need to cover our fields in glass to have the much needed clean energy the world needs? Shouldn't the first rule of thumb be that ALL green energy proposals should be green at source? Green products from green manufacturing with zero miles? How can net zero ever be claimed if the processes themselves do not stand scrutiny?

To know that these proposals will fail to deliver makes the bitter pill so much harder to swallow for those affected. As a nation, we should all be coming together behind truly green proposals paid for by the biggest [REDACTED], not paid for by the displacement of the rural population and the inevitable decrease in food security. As a planning inspectorate, you should ensure that there are no ulterior motives to all this, a ruse to acquire more land to develop. We should have more respect for our heritage and history as other European countries do.

We need our fields now more than ever and as representatives of our elected government, I ask you to forensically question and rigorously check that these proposals will deliver all that they say they will

Our countryside heritage and agricultural worth to the whole nation should force developers to look at alternative ways to deliver net zero and our planning inspectorate should do more than just check the boxes have been ticked, because those affected can already see that they are not. For example, health and wellbeing. This should be an important element of any NIP, the impact on those affected should be integral, but the applicants representative failed to attend a recent meeting dedicated to this topic! Clearly, this particular tick box has not been ticked and the PI should note this and reject the proposals.

I continue to live in hope

Mrs [REDACTED]